

REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment is submitted to improve the form of the claims as previously filed. Claim 18 is amended herein. No new matter is added and entry of the amendment is requested. Claims 1-18 are pending.

Applicants submit that features recited by claim 18, as amended, e.g., "registering information, including addresses of each of a plurality of consignment relay stations, for relaying the parcel in advance" are not taught by any of the art, alone or in combination, previously relied on by the Examiner.

Applicants also note that in the Advisory Action mailed March 15, 2005, regarding arguments included in the Amendment filed February 22, 2005, the Examiner contends:

applicant has made a blanket statement that there is no reasonable chance of success, but has not explained how or why there is not a reasonable chance of success.

(Advisory Action, Continuation Sheet).

Applicants respectfully point out that the Examiner's contention is incorrect. Applicant's argued, for example, in traversing the rejection of claims 1-9, 14, 15 and 17 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Tsukuda in view of Naidoo and Hunt, that Hunt teaches that users can maintain a set of different "personalities," and there is no reasonable chance of success to modify Tsukuda regarding a delivery of parcels to different "personalities."

It is respectfully requested that this Preliminary Amendment be entered in the above-referenced application, and the application be considered for allowance.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Preliminary Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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